



Howard County SHIP
Local Help with Medicare — Free, Confidential and Unbiased

MEDICARE PRESENTATIONS

NEW TO MEDICARE?

Will you be enrolling in Medicare soon or helping someone who has Medicare ?
Attend our two-part introductory series to learn more.

Medicare 101 – What You Can Expect From Medicare: Learn about Medicare Part A (Hospital), Part B (Medical) and Part D (Prescription Drug). How does Original Medicare (sometimes called Traditional Medicare) work? What are the benefits? What is your share of the costs? When should you make decisions regarding your coverage? Hear about assistance programs that can help pay some of your Medicare costs.

Medicare 102 – Why Medicare Isn't Enough: Learn about Part C (Medicare Advantage), other Medicare Health Plans and Medicare Supplement Policies (Medigap Plans). What should you consider when deciding if a Medicare HMO, PPO or Cost Plan is the right choice for you? Understand how the different Medigap plans cover your portion of the costs of Original Medicare, how they are priced and when is the best time to enroll. Hear about how to protect yourself and Medicare from health care fraud.

DATES: 101 & 102	TIME	LOCATION - ADDRESS ON BACK	REGISTRATION
Jan 9 & 16 (W)	2:00 - 3:30 pm	Ellicott City 50+ Center	410-313-7389
Mar 7 & 14 (Th)	10:00 - 11:30am	Elkridge 50+ Center	410-313-7389
Apr 9 & 16 (Tu)	7:00 - 8:30pm	Administrative Offices of Department of Community Resources and Services	410-313-7389

FOR EVERYONE

Using Medicare's Plan Finder: Learn how to use the 'Plan Finder' tool on the www.medicare.gov website, a powerful aid for comparing and reviewing the Medicare Prescription Drug Plans available to you. The 'Plan Finder' can also be used to compare Medicare health plans (such as HMOs, PPOs or Cost Plans) and while explaining the tool for that purpose is out of the scope of this presentation, you will learn many basics that are used for both types of comparisons. Note: If you are not familiar with the structure of Part D plans, please take "Understanding Medicare's Drug Coverage" presentation First.

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May 7 (Tu)	7:00 - 8:30 pm	Administrative Offices of Department of Community Resources and Services	410-313-7389

LOCATIONS

Bain 50+ Center	5470 Ruth Keeton Way, Columbia 21044	410-313-7213
Ellicott City 50+ Center	9401 Frederick Rd, Ellicott City 21043	410-313-1400
Elkridge 50+ Center	6540 Washington Blvd, Elkridge 21075	410-313-5192
North Laurel 50+ Center	9411 Whiskey Bottom Rd, Laurel 20723	410-313-0380
Administrative Offices of Department of Community Resources and Services	9830 Patuxent Woods Dr., Columbia 21046	410-313-6400

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To schedule an appointment (for Howard County residents)
 with a SHIP Counselor at a 50+ Center
 (Bain, Elkridge, Ellicott City or North Laurel) call
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